Introduced by Senator Scott

February 18, 2004

An act to amend Section 44274.2 of the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1384, as introduced, Scott. Teacher credentialing: out-of-state teachers.

Existing law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to issue a professional clear multiple subject, single subject, or education specialist teaching credential to an out-of-state applicant who provides verification of 3 or 4 years of teaching experience to meet a specified requirement for certain preliminary teaching credentials, and who documents that the commission issued to the applicant that preliminary teaching credential and the completion of a program of beginning teacher support and assessment or an alternative program of beginning teacher induction, as specified.

This bill would prohibit precluding that out-of-state applicant from a program of beginning teacher support and assessment or an alternative program of beginning teacher induction solely on the basis of his or her years of teaching experience.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 44274.2 of the Education Code is 2 amended to read:

SB 1384 — 2 —

 44274.2. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter, the commission shall issue a five-year preliminary multiple subject teaching credential authorizing instruction in a self-contained classroom, a five-year preliminary single subject teaching credential authorizing instruction in departmentalized classes, or a five-year preliminary education specialist credential authorizing instruction of special education pupils to any experienced out-of-state prepared teacher who meets all of the following requirements:

- (1) Possesses a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education.
- (2) Completed Completes a teacher preparation program at a regionally accredited institution of higher education.
- (3) In the case of an applicant for a five-year preliminary single subject teaching credential, eompleted completes an academic major in the subject area of the credential sought as determined by the commission.
- (4) Earned Earns a valid corresponding elementary, secondary, or special education teaching credential based upon the out-of-state teacher preparation program.
- (5) Verified Verifies a minimum of three years of full-time teaching experience completed in another state in the subject of the credential sought.
- (6) Submitted Submits evidence of rigorous performance evaluations on which the applicant received ratings of satisfactory or better.
- (b) A teacher shall pass the state basic skills proficiency test administered by the commission pursuant to Section 44252 within one year of the issuance date of the credential in order to be eligible to continue teaching pursuant to this section.
- (c) The commission shall issue a professional clear multiple subject, single subject, or education specialist teaching credential to any applicant who provides verification of five or more years of teaching experience to meet the requirement of subdivision (a), and who documents, in a manner prescribed by the commission, that he or she fulfills each of the following requirements:
- (1) The commission has *Is* issued to the applicant a preliminary five-year teaching credential pursuant to subdivision (a).
- (2) The applicant has completed Completes 150 clock hours of activities that contribute to his or her competence, performance,

—3— SB 1384

and effectiveness in the education profession, and that assist the applicant in meeting or exceeding standards for professional preparation established by the commission.

- (d) (1) The commission shall issue a professional clear multiple subject, single subject, or education specialist teaching credential to any applicant who provides verification of three or four years of teaching experience to meet the requirement of subdivision (a), and who documents in a manner prescribed by the commission, that he or she fulfills each of the following requirements:
 - (1) The commission has
- (A) Is issued to the applicant a preliminary five-year teaching credential pursuant to subdivision (a).
 - (2) The applicant has completed
 - (B) Completes either of the following:

16 (A)

4 5

9

10

11

12

13 14

15

17

20

21

22

23 24

25 26

32

33

- (i) A program of beginning teacher support and assessment established pursuant to Article 4.5 (commencing with Section 44279.1) of Chapter 2 of Part 24.
 - (B)
- (ii) An alternative program of beginning teacher induction that commission determines, in conjunction Superintendent of Public Instruction, meets state standards for teacher induction.
- (2) A teacher who meets the requirements of subdivision (a) and is required to participate in a program of beginning teacher *support and assessment pursuant to clause (i) of subparagraph (B)* of paragraph (1) or an alternative program of beginning teacher 29 induction approved by the commission and the Superintendent of 30 Public Instruction pursuant to clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) may not be precluded from participation either of those programs solely on the basis of his or her years of teaching experience.